

FROM: Eve Moran, Administrative Law Judge  
David Gilbert, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: January 17, 2008

RE: Docket 07-0241/07-0242 (Consol.)

North Shore Gas Company  
Proposed general increase in natural gas rates. (tariffs filed  
March 9, 2007).

The Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company  
Proposed general increase in natural gas rates. (tariffs filed  
on March 9, 2007).

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES' RULING**

The Motion filed by the Attorney General on January 16, 2008 is summarily denied. The Commission has already decided to release the PEPO to the service list for purposes of oral argument and thus, the AG's request in this regard is moot.

With respect to the AG's further request of having the parties be permitted to file briefs or comments in response to any new conclusions or other substantive changes as set out in the PEPO, the ALJs consider it clear that changes in the PEPO were contemplated by the arguments of the parties when filing both their respective exceptions and replies to exceptions. There is no right to an additional round of written argument when in fact such change occurs in due course. Moreover, the Commission has exercised its discretion to allow both oral argument and the extraordinary release of the PEPO prior to the entry of a final order.

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